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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of)	
Kok-Hwee Ng, et al.)	Attorney Docket No. 1417P P591
Serial No.: 09/865,196)	
Filed: May 24, 2001)	
For: A System and Method for)	
Tracking the State of a Blood)	
Collection in a Blood)	
Collection Facility)	

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.97, Applicants submit herewith Form PTO-1449 and attached cited references.

The Examiner is requested to consider carefully the complete text of the enclosed references in connection with the examination of this application. It is believed that the Examiner will concur with Applicants that the subject matter claimed in the present application is neither anticipated nor rendered obvious by these references.

It is requested that the listed references be made of record and included in the "References Cited" portion of any patent issuing from this application.

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